

William Fretwell Hoyle was descended from the Fretwell family that settled in the Maltby area, when Roger Frescheville of Oldcoates in Heath relocated to Carr and bought the Hooton Levett Estate in 1530. In the 19th Century it was inherited by William Fretwell Hoyle who was Steward of the Manors of Rotherham and Kimberworth and local solicitor to the Earl of Effingham.¹



Hooton Levitt Hall² (demolished in the 1960s to make way for modern housing)

William Fretwell Hoyle was one of 6 known children born to William Hoyle, Attorney and Gent of Hooton Levitt and Aughton Hall and his wife Mary (née Johnson of Retford) who were married on 16 August 1798, at Sutton by East Retford, Nottingham.³ Within twelve years they had produced 6 children, all of whose baptisms were registered at Maltby Rotherham :⁴

Catherine Hoyle	21 Jul	1799
William Fretwell Hoyle	6 Feb	1801
Robert Cuthforthay Hoyle	15 Nov	1804
Nathan Hoyle	28 Oct	1806
Judith Hoyle	25 Oct	1808
Mary Hoyle	27 Apr	1810

Further information is provided by Burkes Genealogical and Heraldic History of Gentry by Henry Burke, 1862:

William Hoyle, Esq, of Hooton Levett Hall, co York, b 11 July 1773; m 18 Aug 1798, Mary, dau of George Johnson, Esq, of Lound, co. Notts, and Martha his wife, and had issue:

- I. William Fretwell. His heir
- II Robert Cutforthay, b 6th Nov 1804, m 9 May 1838 Ann, dau of ___ Dickon, Esq, of Beal and Kellington. He s. to the Aughton Hall estate by will of his father, and has issue,
 - 1 William Dickon, b 17 May, 1838
 - 2 Robert Cutforthay, b 15 Mar, 1848
 - 3 Ernest Johnson, b. July, 1847
 - 1 Mary Annie
 - 2 Emiline Margaret
 - 3 Catherine Ann
- III Nathan, b. 21 Oct 1806; d 14 Jul 1818
 - I Catherine Bonville, m. 6 March 1821, Francis Parker, Esq, of Ickles, co. York, and d. 10 Feb. 1836, having had issue,

¹ <http://www.rotherhamunofficial.co.uk/thetown/features/halls/hooton.html>. According to the author of this website entry William Fretwell Hoyle lost a good deal of his money speculating in tin mines and the author had not been able to find out if he still owned the house when he died in 1886.

² Photograph from "Lost Houses of the West Riding", E Waterson and P Meadows, 1998.

³ IGI Family Group Record.

⁴ Ibid.

- 1 Thomas William, b. 19 April 1838
- 1 Eliza
- 2 Catherine Ann, m. John Taylor, Esq, of Bakewell, co. Derby and has issue
- 3 Judith
- 4 Lucy
- II Judith, m. 20 April, 1831, John Hall, Esq, of Kiveton Park, co. York. She d. 28 Aug. 1848, having had issue,
 - 1 John, b. 7 June 1833; d. 11 Oct 1849
 - 2 William Hoyle, b. 14 Aug. 1839
 - 3 Samuel Auton, b. 30 Oct 1842
 - 1 Margaret, b. 9 Sep 1851
 - 2 Mary
 - 3 Judith Anne
 - 4 Jane
 - 5 Ellen

III Mary, m. Edward Lamphler Jones, Esq, London

Mr Hoyle d. 8 Dec 1847, aet 74, and was s. by his eldest son.

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Crest An eagle's head, erased, ppr, charged on the neck with a mullet, sa, holding in the beak a white rose, slipped

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Seats Ferham House, and Hooton Levett Hall, Yorkshire

The next official record we have for William Fretwell Hoyle is the registration of his marriage, by licence, on 1 September 1830 to Hannah Clarke Walker in the parish of Rotherham.⁵ This marriage, which produced one child – Fretwell William Hoyle, born on 6th June 1831 – was short lived. I have not found a record of Hannah's death, but we know that on 24th April 1834 William married again this time to Jane Grave Walker. I am not sure if the two Walker girls were related.

I have not located William in the 1841 census but Jane (listed as wife of William Hoyle, Solicitor) and their growing family are found at Westgate, Rotherham. At home were, were 3 boys – George 5, Robert 4, Henry 2 – and 2 girls – Jane 6, Hannah 1. Fretwell Hoyle was not at home with his step-mother as he was a pupil at a boarding school for young boys at Consibrough.⁶

Some time after John's birth the Hoyles moved to Hooton. This was probably early in 1848, after the death of William's father on 8 December 1847 following which William became the owner of Hooton Levett Hall. And it was here that William, now back with his family, was found for the next census held on 30th March 1851.⁷

William F Hoyle	Head	M	50	Solicitor	Maltby
Jane Grave Hoyle	Wife	M	37		Doncaster
Fretwell Wm Hoyle	Son	U	19	Solicitor's Articled Clerk	Rotherham
Jane W Hoyle Hoyle	Dau	U	16		Rotherham
Robert Parker Hoyle	Son	U	13	Scholar (at Home)	Rotherham
Kate Hoyle Hoyle	Dau		8	Scholar (at Home)	Rotherham
John Walker Hoyle	Son		7	Scholar (at Home)	Rotherham
Samuel S Hoyle	Son		5	Scholar (at Home)	Masbrough
Frank Edward Hoyle	Son		3	Scholar (at Home)	Masbrough
Emma Mary Hoyle Hoyle	Dau		1		Masbrough
Amelia S Clipperton	Vis	U	16	Scholar	London
Eliza Bellamy	Serv	U	28	Cook	Masbrough

⁵ Ibid; Yorkshire, England: Parish and Probate Records. Yorkshire: Doncaster – Register of Marriage, 1785-1837, Vol 6.

⁶ HO107/1332/12/5/27/11; HO107/1330/13/3/13/19.

⁷ But note that the Durham, Northumberland and Yorkshire Royal National Commercial Directory of 1855 (p423) has a Rotherham listing under Attorneys for Hoyle William Fretwell, Westgate, so he presumably maintained an office there. Interestingly the entry above this is for Hoyle & Marsh, Westgate.

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Eliza Cox	Serv	U	18	Lady's Maid	Masbrough
Fanny Rayner	Serv	U	26	House Maid	Worksop
Mary Ashkam	Serv	U	19	Nurse Maid	Askern
Ann Finney *	Serv	U	15	Kitchen Maid	Maltby
Sarah Finney *	Serv		8	Scholar (Object of Charity)	Maltby
Thomas Lambert +	Serv	U	40	Object of Charity	Hooton Levett

* described as children of House Servant

+ described as Deformed and Defective

George, Henry, and Hannah were not at home when the census was taken as they were all boarding at various schools. George was a young pupil at school at Broom Hall, Sheffield while his younger brother Henry was a scholar and boarder in the household of William D Wist(?), clergyman and teacher in Mace Street, Hackney. Their sister Hannah was at Micklegate, York, at a school run by Mrs Amelia Clipperton and her spinster daughters Agnes and Isabella. Another daughter, Amelia, was staying with the Hoyles in 1851.⁸

At some stage in the next ten years the Hoyles relocated to Ferham House, Kimberworth Road, Masbrough. where they were living for the 1861 census. The children making their census debut in 1861 were Ferham (at home) and presumably named after the family home, and Charles, who was away from home and was enrolled at Howard House, Nether Hallam, Sheffield a school run by Charles Ingledon, MA Oxon, Clergyman and Teacher.⁹

William Fretwell Hoyle	Head	M	60	Solicitor	Hooton Levett
Jane Grave Hoyle	Wife	M	48		Doncaster
Hannah Clark Hoyle Hoyle	Dau	U	21		Rotherham
Kate Hoyle Hoyle	Dau	U	19		Rotherham
Samuel Saunders Hoyle	Son		15	Scholar	Masbrough
Frank Edward Hoyle	Son		14	Scholar	Kimberworth
Emma Mary Hoyle	Dau		11	Scholar	Kimberworth
Ferham Arthur Hoyle	Son		8	Scholar	Kimberworth
Sarah Wilkinson	D. Serv	U	54	Cook	Woodall
Hannah Webster	Serv	U	39	Lady's Maid	Woodall
Mary Sellars	Serv	U	36	Lady's Maid	Leeds
Hannah Dimes	Serv	U	19	Housemaid	Ickles?
Martha Bradley	Serv	U	24	Housemaid	Newhall
Alice Pelly	D. Serv	U	19	Kitchen Maid	Dalton

Living on the Ferham estate were also Robert Robinson, coachman, with his wife Mary and adopted child Jane Osborne.

This was a substantial household, but, apart from Charles, some family members are also absent – Fretwell, Jane, George, Robert and John. Robert had in fact died just after the previous census, and his death was registered at Rotherham in the Jul-Sep quarter of 1852.¹⁰

In the space of seventeen years Jane Hoyle produced twelve children who together with the child from William's first marriage brought the total of the Hoyle brood to thirteen as shown on the chart on the following page.

Ten years later, and the only Hoyle child at home is Charles who has obviously decided not to pursue the tradition family profession in the law. When the census collector called at Ferham House on 2nd April 1871 the Hoyle household consists of more retainers than family members.¹¹

⁸ HO107/2337/45/13; HO107/2354/83/37; HO107/2354/83/37.

⁹ RG9/3507/14-15; RG9/3465/4/1.

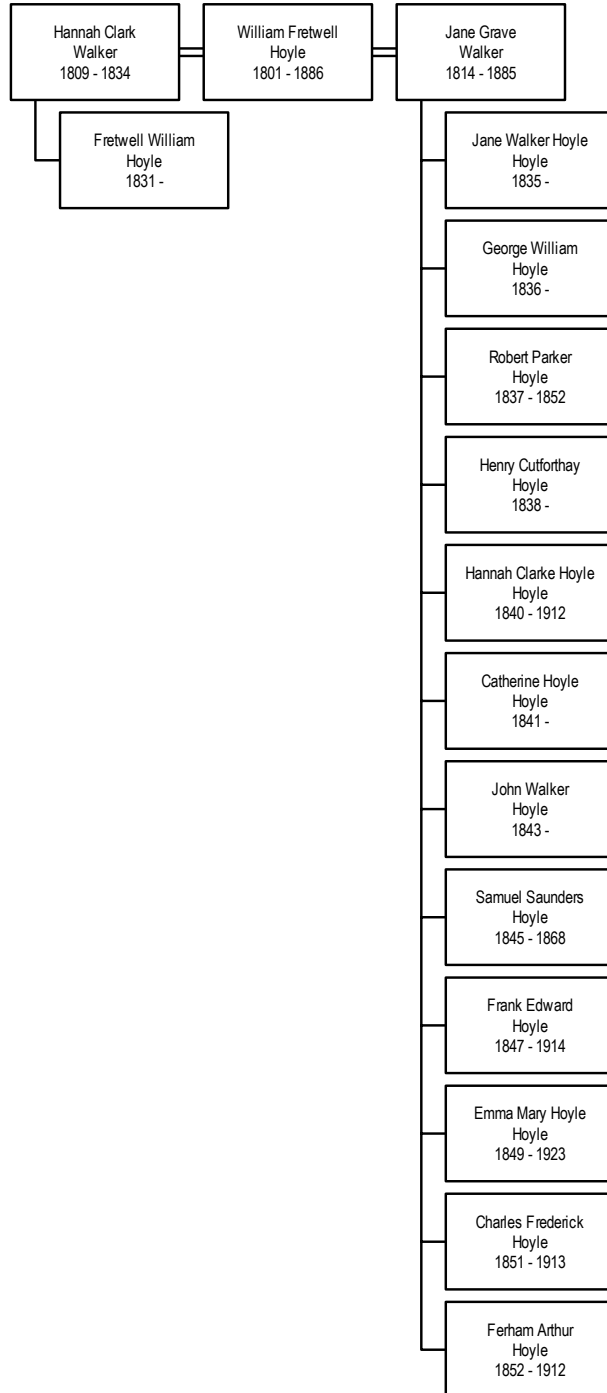
¹⁰ FreeBMD Death Index 1837-1983; Vol 9c Pg 240.

¹¹ RG10/4706/60/25.

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William Fretwell Hoyle	Head	M	70	Solicitor	Hooton Levett
Jane Grave Hoyle	Wife	M	59		Doncaster
Charles F Hoyle	Son	U	19	Brewer's Pupil	Kimberworth
Sarah Wilkinson		U	64	Domestic Servant	Kimberworth
Jessie Gibbs		U	10?	Domestic Servant	Rotherham
Harriett Depledge		U	36	Domestic Servant	Masbrough
Sarah Hawten		W	46	Domestic Servant	Eydon, Northampton
George Miller		U	31	Groom	Calverton, Notts.

Robert Reynolds, his wife Susan and two children were living on the estate. Robert was employed as Man Servant and Susan did the Hoyle's laundry. The gardens were looked after by Thomas Foy who, with his wife, was accommodated in the Ferham Lodge.



The final census appearance of William and Jane was that of 1881. Their address is now given as Hooton Levitt, and with them on census night is one of their married sons, his wife and child.¹²

William Fretwell Hoyle	Head	M	80	Solicitor	Hooton
Jane Grave Hoyle	Wife	M	68		Doncaster
George William Hoyle	Son	M	45	Solicitor	Rotherham
Maria Catherine Hoyle	D-i-L	M	32		East India, Bengal
Maria Hoyle Hoyle	G Dau		4		Horsforth, Yorks
William Cook	Serv	U	46	Butler, Dom Servant	Whittington, Derbyshire
Rosamand Ward	Serv	U	31	Cook Dom Servant	Letwell, Yorks
Mary Poskett	Serv	U	16	Housemaid Dom Servant	Woodhouse
Fanny Greenwood	Serv	U	13	Kitchenmaid Dom Servant	Doncaster

Jane's death was registered at Rotherham in the Jan-Mar quarter of 1885. William survived her by less than two years, and his death was registered, also at Rotherham, in the Jul-Sep quarter of 1886. They were respectively 72 and 85 when they died. I have attempted to follow up on the Hoyle children, once they had left home. The following is somewhat tentative and rather sketchy, and based principally on the census returns which, due to the idiosyncrasies of the recorders (and the narrators!) is a very 'hit and miss' exercise, and the FreeBMD Indices.

Fretwell William Hoyle

Born on 6th June 1831, Fretwell William Hoyle followed his father's profession in law, and was married at the age of 29, on 3rd August 1860 at St Peters, Leeds, to Rosa Davy, the third daughter of Albert Davy, Esq, of Leeds, Consul of the United States of America and his wife Sarah (née Cadman). Albert, born in Philadelphia in 1800, had moved to England and in June 1829 married Sarah Cadman.¹³ At some stage Albert had become a British Subject and he and his family are found for the 1851 census living at North Street Leeds.¹⁴ The 1861 census finds the recently married couple living at Eastwood Lodge, Doncaster Road, Rotherham.¹⁵

Fretwell William Hoyle	Head	M	29	Attorney	Rotherham
Rosa Hoyle	Wife	M	25		Leeds
Ann Barker	Serv	W	59	Solicitor	Shoe Green, Yorks
Mary Ann Barker	Serv	U	22		Sheffield

By the time of the 1871 census the family had expanded with the birth over the previous ten years of a number of offspring. They were still living at Eastwood Lodge.¹⁶

Fretwell W Hoyle	Head	M	39	Solicitor	Rotherham
Rosa Hoyle	Wife	M	35		Leeds
Alan F Hoyle	Son		9		Rotherham
Rosa B Hoyle	Daug		6		Rotherham
Ethel M Hoyle	Daug		5		Rotherham
Ada L D Hoyle	Daug		8 m		Rotherham
Jane Boccock	Nurse	U	53	Nurse	Oldham, Lancs
Harriet Jackson	Serv	U	23	Cook	Masbrough
Emily Jackson	Serv	U	21	Housemaid	Masbrough
Henry Hoyle	Visitor		11		Calcutta, India

The visitor is of particular interest as it is likely that he was a nephew of Fretwell, whose parents were living in India – and this may explain why some of Fretwell's step brothers have been difficult to locate.

¹² RG11/4684/21/36.

¹³ Op Cit Burke 1862; Free BMB Marriage Index Vol 9b Pg 395. Yorkshire BMD Leeds CE46/60/212. The Cadmans were an established Leeds family, and Sarah's grandfather and father were tobacco merchants – www.stjohnsroundhay.co.uk/cadman.html.

¹⁴ HO107/2321/894/p22.

¹⁵ RG9/3504/103/24.

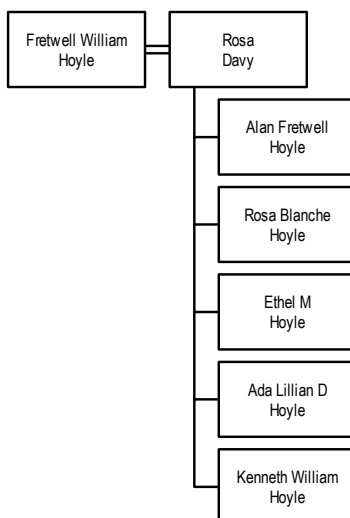
¹⁶ RG10/4704/26/7.

I have found no further census return for Fretwell Hoyle, but have managed to find his wife in the 1881 census, transcribed as Rosa Hayles. For some reason she is lodging with one Jane Copestake at 1 Larkdale Street Nottingham. Her status is still given as 'Married' and the census listing shows that one further child had been born.¹⁷

Jane Copestake	Head	W	57	Housekeeper	Scotland
Rosa Hoyle	Lodger	M	43 ¹⁸		Leeds
Rosa B Hoyle	Lodger		16		Rotherham
Ethel M Hoyle	Lodger		15		Rotherham
Ada L Hoyle	Lodger		10		Rotherham
Kenneth W Hoyle	Lodger		6		Rotherham

The elder son, Alan, was an undergraduate at Brasenose College, Oxford, where he was sharing lodgings with two fellow undergraduates – Henry Power Bull and Alexander Kenneth Digby Smith.¹⁹

Rosa Hoyle is again (still?) living in Nottingham when the 1891 census was taken on 5th April 1891. Still listed as a married woman, she is a visitor in the Ellis household at Newcastle Circus, headed up by Francis Newman Ellis, owner and manager of collieries.. The only child with her is daughter Rosa Blanche Hoyle.²⁰



I have located all the 'missing' children except the oldest, Alan Fretwell Hoyle. Ethel was employed by the Grimsby and District Hospital, opened in 1877 and later renamed Grimsby Hospital, as a matron. The third daughter had dropped her first name and is found as Lillian D. Hoyle, working as a governess for the Hounsfild family at Hunton Bridge, Hertfordshire. Kenneth, now aged 16 and still a student, was boarding with the Saville family in Nottingham.²¹

The only further references I have found for Alan are an entry in the Oxford University Alumni records where it is recorded that, at the age of 18, he had matriculated on 16th October 1879. He was a scholar at Oxford from 1879-1883.²² How and where he spent his life after leaving university is not known. What is known, however, is that he died relatively young, at the age of 38. His death was registered in the Apr-Jun quarter of 1899 at Nottingham.²³

The 1901 census finds Rosa now as the head of the household and with three of her children living at 9

¹⁷ RG11/3349/96/30.

¹⁸ Should have read as 45.

¹⁹ RG11/1501/69/23

²⁰ RG12/2682/111/19.

²¹ RG12/2613/26/48; RG12/1122/45/20; RG12/2691/7/8.

²² Oxford University Alumni 1500-1886, 1715-1886 Vol II, p702.

²³ FreeBMD Death Index Vol 7b, Pg 232.

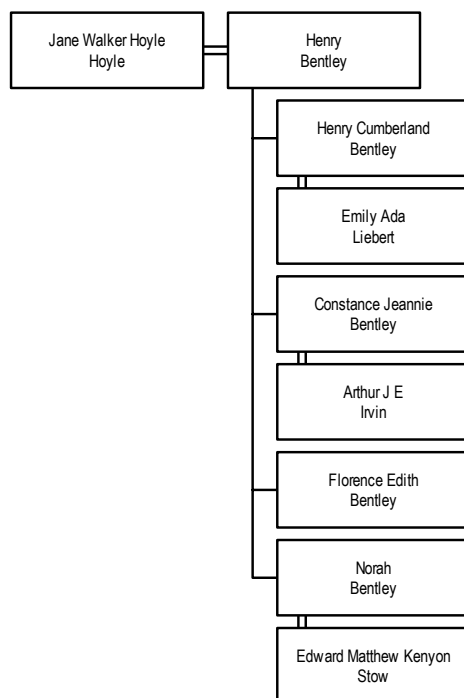
Douglas Road, Nottingham. I have not found a record for Ethel Hoyle for this census.²⁴

Rosa Hoyle	Head	M	65		Leeds
Rosa B Hoyle	Daug	S	36		Rotherham
Lilian D Hoyle	Daug	S	30		Rotherham
Kenneth W Hoyle	Son	S	23 ²⁵	Stockbroker, Manager	Rotherham
Mary J Clarke	Serv	S	20	General Servant	Walkeringham, Notts

Within one year of this census Rosa Hoyle had died and her death was registered in the Jan-Mar quarter of 1902 at Nottingham. She was 67.²⁶ If he was still alive, and this would seem to be the case at least up to 31st March 1901 as she claimed to still be a married woman on the census return, her husband would have been just short of his 70th birthday when Rosa died. A trawl through possible Hoyle marriages between 1901-10 brings up a record for a marriage registered at Scarborough between one Kenneth William Hoyle and either Kate Lister or Rose Ellen Godfrey for the Apr-Jun quarter.²⁷ It would seem that his sisters Lilian and Rosa remained spinsters?

Jane Walker Hoyle Hoyle

The first child to William Fretwell Hoyle and his wife Jane was Jane Walker Hoyle Hoyle. On 26th March 1856 she married Henry Bentley, Esq, of Ashald House, Yorkshire.²⁸



As far as the census is concerned, Jane and Henry are missing in action for the 1861 census. However they reappear for the census taken on 2nd April 1871, residing at Ashald House, Oulton with Woodlesford, with three children, a number of visitors, and a bevy of domestic servants.²⁹ In fact another daughter, Florence Edith, had been born in 1858, but she died just shy of her sixth birthday, in 1864.³⁰

Henry Bentley	Head	M	38	Brewer Maltster Landowner	Oulton
Jane Walker Hoyle Bentley	Wife	M	36		Rotherham

²⁴ RG13/3165/37/26.

²⁵ Should read 26?

²⁶ FreeBMD Death Index Vol 7b, Pg 150.

²⁷ FreeBMD Marriage Index Vol 9d, Pg 709.

²⁸ Op Cit Burke 1862.

²⁹ RG10/10/4516/66/2.

³⁰ FreeBMD Birth Index, Wakefield, Apr-Jun, Vol 9c, Pg 47; FreeBMD Death Index, Wakefield, Jan-Mar, Vol 9c, Pg 57.

Constance Jeannie Bentley ³¹	Daug	14		Milton ³²
Henry Cumberland Bentley	Son	10		Oulton
Norah Bentley	Daug	7		Filey
Frederick Stoke Bentley Innes	Vis M	34	Landowner Barrister at Law	Oulton
Henrietta B Innes	Vis M	33	Landowner	Scotland
Mary J E Smith	Vis U	22		Leeds
Thomas Connolly	Ser M	50	Butler	Ireland
John W Nelson	Ser U	19	Footman	Northallerton
Anne J Redfern	Ser U	40	Nurse	Loughborough
Margaret Ann Mathews	Ser U	33	Cook	Manchester
Elizabeth Sheldon	Ser U	18	Kitchen Maid	Leeds
Mary Wragg	Ser U	26	House Maid	Masbrough
Harriet Brittain	Ser U	18	House Maid	Woodlesford
Christina Tulloch	Serv U	27	Lady's Maid	Scotland

I was unsure where Oulton is except that it is somewhere close to Leeds, as the registration district for the above census return was Hunslet. The following account provides some information of Oulton/Woodlesford. Further, from the 1871 census, return we can safely assume that Henry was no 'run of the mill' brewer, and the account confirms this assumption.³³

Woodlesford is a village in the county of West Yorkshire, four miles south-east of Leeds centre, and now a residential part of the commuter belt that services the city of Leeds. It has a diverse history. It once had a number of industries, including its own pottery, match factory, quarries, and Brewery. It was divided into two parts "Old Woodlesford" and "New Woodlesford". The old part of the village is situated to the north of the park up on the hill and contains the school, the chapel and former church. New Woodlesford related to the area on Aberford Road which is now dominated by 19th century terraces and the Co-op store.

Originally Woodlesford was clearly separated from the neighbouring village of Oulton but this is no longer the case due to the residential expansion of both villages. An official border runs between the two villages ... Ironically, this places Oulton Library in Woodlesford and Woodlesford Post Office in Oulton. Woodlesford however is much larger in scale than Oulton. Woodlesford also extends afar as Bowers Row, formerly the St Aidan's Colliery and across to the M62.

Much of Woodlesford's expansion took place during the 19th century as a mining village. Woodlesford boasted four operational pits at Bower's Row by 1896 all owned by T & R W Bower Ltd, managed by WS Blackburn. There was also mining at Rothwell Colliery.

It was the Home of Bentley's Yorkshire Bitter, until the brewery closed down in the latter half of the 20th century. The Bentley family left their mark upon the landscape building not only the brewery, but also Eshald Mansion and All Saints Church.

My curiosity stirred, I looked for some more information on the Bentley brewing enterprise, with some success.



Timothy Bentley, who founded the Lockwood Brewery near Huddersfield, was the patriarch whose sons spread a brewing empire throughout Yorkshire and Lancashire. One of those sons, Robert, came to Rotherham in the early 1820's and, it is recorded, purchased land on the then undeveloped Canklow Road from a Thomas Badger of Rotherham in 1825. It is from this date that the Old Brewery takes its foundation. Robert Bentley began to look round at the available public houses that he might tie to his business. It was around 1843 that Robert Bentley was joined by his son, Robert John Bentley who lived at Eastwood House, Rotherham. After this date Robert was referred to as "gentleman" so we may assume the day-to-day running of the brewery fell to Robert John. In 1850 Robert Bentley died, and his son, who had been carrying responsibility for the brewery, was joined by Timothy Bentley, a namesake of the founder of the empire. In the early 1850's Robert John Bentley took a country house at Funningley Park near

³¹ The FreeBMD Birth registration registered at Wakefield for the Jan-Mar quarter (Vol 9c, Pg 53) has her names reversed – Jeannie Constance.

³² Oulton?

³³ <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Woodlesford>.

Doncaster. He seems also to have had a town house, West House, Rotherham, so the mid Victorian brewing trade was lucrative, at least in this instance. The acquisition of tied outlets, as ever, dominated the brewer's thinking, though the Bentley family also bought and sold other forms of property and pieces of land.

In September 1875 R.J. Bentley was pronounced "a person of unsound mind" and some time later committed to an asylum, Moorcroft House, Hillingdon near London, consequently the business needed an executor, and it is surprising that one was not taken from the numerous Bentley and Shaw family members. Instead, Henry Sagar Hirst of the Low House Brewery, Clayton Heights near Bradford, undertook to carry on the business in R.J. Bentley's name. Although the bulk of the tied house estate had been established, new acquisitions were made in and around Rotherham.

Robert John Bentley died on 5th September 1890. He may have recovered sanity, since he is listed at West House, although that may be solely courtesy. Thereafter and until 1910 a board of trustees carried on the business. After 1910 a board of trustees administered Robert Bentley & Company until 1949, when the company was registered as Bentley's Old Brewery (Rotherham) Ltd. This company was taken over in 1956 by the ever growing Hammond's United Breweries of Bradford.³⁴

Although William Bentley and the Oulton Brewery are not specifically mentioned in the account, he would have been one of the scions of the Bentley brewing family. It is interesting to note that for the 1841 census, Robert Bentley (together with young son Robert) was described as a Common Brewer, and was living in Westgate, Rotherham³⁵ in the same census district as William Fretwell Hoyle's family. Some idea of the size of the Oulton operation is provided by the copy of an invoice issued in July 1869, when Henry Bentley was manager.³⁶



Apart from the Bentley-Hoyle link through the marriage of Jane and William, there was to be a further link as we will see with the account of Jane's brother Charles.

At the time of the 1881 census Henry Bentley was not at home but he reappears later as a married man. Even with the absence of Henry, the Bentley household of Ashald House estate is extensive, and includes a visiting niece.³⁷

³⁴ Sources – "South Yorkshire Stingo", D L Perry, ISBN 1-873966-05-9; Brewery History magazine; www.breweryhistory.com.

³⁵ HO107/1332/12/5/4.

³⁶ www.leodis.net.

³⁷ RG11/4493/86/23.

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Henry Bentley	Head	M	48	Brewer	Woodlesford
Jane W H Bentley	Wife	M	46		Masbrough
Constance Bentley	Daug	U	24		Woodlesford
Norah Bentley	Daug	U	17		Filey
Ada Shipton	Niece	U	15		Filey
James Bates	Ser	M	38	Butler	Gloster
William Britton	Ser	U	17	Footman	Oulton
Jane Waddington	Ser	U	30	Domestic	Harrogate
Kate Wilson	Ser	U	20	Domestic	Middle Clayton, Bucks
Alice M Bennett	Ser	U	16	Domestic	Rothwell
Caroline Lester	Ser	U	27	Domestic	Swillington
Amy Lightowler	Ser	U	32	Domestic	Elvington
Mary Uvee?	Ser	U	21	Cook	Farnley Otley
Charles Knight	Ser	U	21	Gardener	Chipstead, Kent
Charles Leeson	Ser	U	31	Coachman	Grantham, Lincoln
William Smith	Ser	U	28	Groom	Bradford
Thomas Naylor	Ser	U	19	Gardener	Walton, Yorks
Walter Davey	Ser	U	18	Gardener	Leeds
Jane Butler	Ser	U	20	Housemaid	Maltby

Also living on the estate was the Head Gardener, William Sutton, his wife Harriet and daughter Minnie.

It is interesting to note that the birthplace of the cousins Norah³⁸ and Ada was Filey, near Scarborough – but the significance, if any, of this has yet to be established.

No further census records have been located for Henry and Jane. The reason for this is that before the 1891 census both had died if the following registrations relate to them. There is a Pancras death registration for the Jan-Mar quarter of 1882 of Jeannie Walker H Bentley, born about 1835, and age at death 47. I am a little less certain about a Kensington registration for the Jul-Sep quarter of 1886 for Henry Bentley, born about 1832, and age of death 54.³⁹ All three of their surviving children married

Henry married Emily Ada Liebert the event being registered at St George, Hanover Square, in the Oct-Dec quarter of 1886.⁴⁰ Henry and Emily were hosting visitors at Arthingworth Hall, Northamptonshire, for the 1891 census.⁴¹ (The rest of the household comprised a regiment of retainers – 8 ‘inside staff’ and 8 grooms - accommodated in the Hall and the stables).

Henry Cumberland Bentley	Head	M	30	Living on own Means	Eshald Woodlesford
Emily Ada Bentley	Wife	M	27		Ryde, Isle of Wight
Mildred Beatrice Liebert	S-i-L	U	18		Brighton
Norah Kenyon Stow	Sis	M	27		Filey
Edward Kenyon Stow	B-i-L	M	53		Yorks

Henry (referred to as Harry) and Emily were still in Northamptonshire – at Market Harborough - for 1901 census. A daughter, Violet Esme has been born in 1898.⁴²

As we have seen, Norah Bentley had married a man some years her senior and the marriage was registered at Freebridge Lynn, Norfolk, in the Jan-Mar quarter of 1886.⁴³ Edward Matthew Kenyon Stow was the son of Matthew, a Scotsman who made his money in Leeds as a Stuff and Cloth merchant and who, with his wife Susan and some children, seems to have retired to Gloucestershire where he is found for the 1871 census,

³⁸ Note that for the 1891 census her place of birth is given as Filey, but for 1901 it is Woodlesford.

³⁹ FreeBMD Death Index Vol 1b, Pg 102; Vol 1a, Pg 72.

⁴⁰ FreeBMD Index Vol 1a, Pg 775. The Lieberts were a very well connected family who feature in The Plantagenet Roll of Blood Royal, Marquis de Ruvigny & Raineval Staff, 1894.

⁴¹ RG12/2493/80/4.

⁴² RG13/2952/155/3.

⁴³ FreeBMD Marriage Index Vol 4b, Pg 519.

and where he is listed as living on income received from rents.⁴⁴ There is no sign of Edward and the entries for him in the 1891 and 1901 census do not specify his profession. But I assume he was reasonably well-heeled! We do know that he attended Oxford University at and matriculated aged 28 on 17th October 1874, but what he did between then and his marriage to Norah is a mystery.⁴⁵ For the 1901 census they are again 'visiting', this time at Alwaton Hall, Huntingdonshire, then the home of John Layton Mills and his wife Maud.⁴⁶ One wonders, in fact, if the Stows had a permanent home address as they seem to have spent a deal of time travelling back and forth to America. Records of at least four trips have been found – E Kenyon Stow, from New York on 13 December 1899 on the SS Friesland; Ed Kenyon and Norah Kenyon Stow, departing Liverpool to New York on the SS Luciana on 18 April 1908 and again on 27 March 1909, Mr and Mrs Kenyon-Stow arriving New York on the SS Campania on 10 October 1909.⁴⁷

In contrast to her globe-trotting sister, Constance remained firmly rooted in her home territory. Very shortly after the 1881 census she married the local vicar. The wedding of Jeannie Constance Bentley to Arthur John E Irvin was registered at Hunslet in the Jul-Sep quarter of 1881. In fact Arthur was very much the boy next door as he appears two entries above the Bentley family for the 1881 census at the Vicarage. For the 1891 census the Irvins seem to have been on holiday – no doubt well earned for Constance then with 5 children ranging in age from 2 to 8 - as they were lodging at St Kitts at Filey. Ten years later, now with only two children at home, Arthur and Constance are back at the Vicarage at Oulton cum Woodlesford.⁴⁸

George William Hoyle

We have seen that George was boarding away from home for the 1851 census and that he was subsequently with his parents for the 1881 census, by which time he had married to Maria Catherine who had been born in India and they had at least one child, Maria Hoyle Hoyle, who had been born in Horsforth Yorkshire, was also included in the household. Like his father, George was a Solicitor. I am having great difficulty trying to pinpoint George in the thirty intervening years.

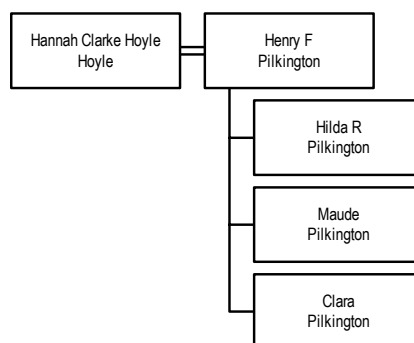
If the Rotherham district death registration lodged in the Jul-Sep quarter of 1888 for a George William Hoyle, born about 1836, is the son of Henry and Jane Hoyle, and the husband of Maria Catherine, he outlived his father by only a couple of years and died at the relatively young age of 52..

Henry Cutforthay Hoyle

Nothing further found at this stage.

Hannah Clarke Hoyle Hoyle

Hannah was 26 when she married Henry F Pilkington in 1866.⁴⁹ I do not know what profession Henry was in (perhaps a Tea Planter?) but it must have been with some excitement and trepidation that she accompanied her husband to Ceylon where three daughters were born.



⁴⁴ RG10/2569/62/24.

⁴⁵ Oxford University Alumni 1500-1886, 1715-1886 Vol II, p1362.

⁴⁶ RG13/1459/6/3.

⁴⁷ The New York Times (Archives) and New York Passenger Lists 1820-1957.

⁴⁸ FreeBMD Marriage Index Vol 9b, Pg 387; RG11/4493/86/23;RG12/3962/48/38; RG13/4198/77/33.

⁴⁹ FreeBMD Marriage Index Rotherham Jul-Aug 1866 Vol 9c, Pg 614.

However, the 1881 census reveals that the marriage was short lived, because by April 1881 Hannah was back at Hooton Levitt.⁵⁰

Hannah C Pilkington	Head	W	41		Rotherham
Hilda R Pilkington	Dau		13	Scholar	Ceylon
Clara Pilkington	Dau		12		Ceylon
Maude Pilkington	Dau		10		Ceylon
Edith Kirk	Serv	U	18	Governess	Maidstone, Kent
Harriet Key	Serv	U	20	General Domestic	Attercliffe, Yorks

Thereafter, apart from a possible reference to Maude in the 1891 census where as the cousin (to whom?) she seems to be in charge of Houghton Hall, Norfolk, I have not found anything further on these Pilkington women. However, the 1891 census information for Maude would seem to fit with the death registration at Docking, Norfolk for her mother Hannah C H Pilkington in Oct-Dec 1912.⁵¹

Catherine Hoyle Hoyle

The information found for Catherine, more often referred to as Kate, is very scant. Her marriage to John Shipton was registered at Rotherham in the Jul-Sep quarter of 1864. We know from the 1881 census that a daughter, Ada Shipton whose birth place was given as Filey, was staying with her aunt Jane Bentley, There is a corresponding birth registration for an Ada Kate Shipton, for the Jul-Sep quarter of 1865.⁵²

John Walker Hoyle and Samuel Saunders Hoyle

Nothing further found at this stage.

Frank Edward Hoyle

The 1871 census found Frank and his young brother Ferham sharing accommodation at Hooton when they were respectively aged 24 and 18 and both were students.

Frank Edward Hoyle	Head	U	24	Engineer Pupil	Rotherham
Ferham Arthur Hoyle	Brother	U	18	Law Student	Rotherham
Lew Pashley Wardley	Serv	U	25	Butler Domestic	Warsop, Notts

Just over four years later, in 1875, Frank married Elizabeth Blaney Irving of Manchester, the daughter of Charles and Marian Irving. Charles, who had been born in Messina, Sicily, was employed as a storeman and accountant with the railways.⁵³

Frank and Elizabeth were out of the country for much of the next 25 years, with Frank putting his engineering skills to good use in Brazil, where the children Frank Irving and Jeanie Kathleen were born There may have been more children, but the following family tree reflects the 1901 census return, when the family was back in England and living at 1 Mabel Street, Rotherham.⁵⁴

Frank Edward Hoyle	Head	M	44	Mechanical Engineer	Rotherham
Elizabeth Blaney Hoyle	Wife	M	49		Fairfield, Manchester
Frank Irving Hoyle	Son	S	23	Engine Turner and Fitter	Bahia, Brazil, Brit Subject
Marian Constance Hoyle	Dau	S	20		Ardwick, Manchester
Jeanie Kathleen Hoyle	Dau	S	15	Pupil Teacher	Bahia, Brazil, Brit Subject
Thomas Henry Pearson	Bdr	S	22	Mechanical Engineer	Moss Side, Manchester

I am not sure what became of the family after the 1901 census, but a Rotherham death registration for the Jul-Sep quarter of 1914 would appear to be that of Frank Edward Hoyle, born about 1847 and aged 67 when

⁵⁰ RG11/4684/20/34.

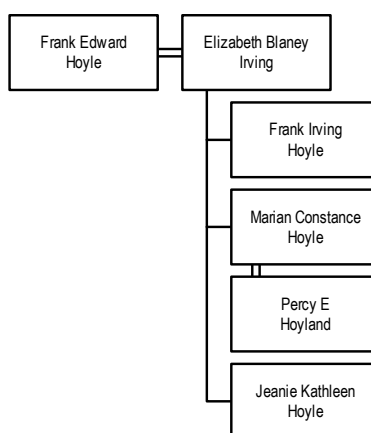
⁵¹ RG12/1561/114/11; FreeBMD Death Index Vol 4b, Pg 330.

⁵² FreeBMD Marriage Index Vol 9c, Pg 554; FreeBMD Birth Index Scarborough Vol 9d, Pg 284.

⁵³ FreeBMD Marriage Index Manchester Jul-Sep 1875 Vol 8d, Pg 474; RG9/2873/58/4.

⁵⁴ RG13/4392/45/22.

he died.⁵⁵ If so, he died just before his daughter Marian married Percy E Hoyland at Rotherham. Percy, who had been born about 1874 to Edwin and Elizabeth Hoyland, had trained as a vet and for the 1901 census he was living with his family at 20 Wharncliffe, Rotherham, and working in his father's veterinary practice.⁵⁶ I have not identified with any certainty records for marriages of the other two children.



Emma Mary Hoyle Hoyle

The youngest of the Hoyle daughters married William Salmond in the summer of 1874, with the marriage being registered in Westminster, London. William, whose father was Lt Colonel James Salmond, came from a military background. At the time of his marriage to Emma he had passed through the Royal Military Academy and had received his commission in 1857 and had progressed to the rank of captain. He was promoted again to Major in October 1877 and was still at that rank when the 1881 census was taken. William and his family were living at 45 Redcliffe Gardens, Brompton, Kensington.⁵⁷

William Salmond	Head	M	40	Major RE Active List	York
Emma M H Salmond	Wife	M	30		Rotherham
Emma M Salmond	Dau		5		Kent
Mary G Salmond	Dau		4		Kent
William G Salmond	Son		2		Dover
Gladys M Salmond	Dau		1		Dover
Thomas M Daw	Serv	U	24	Footman	Canterbury
Elizabeth Benefield	Serv	U	26	Nurse	Chatham
Fanny E Husle	Serv	U	21	Housemaid	Chatham
Marie Morrison	Serv	U	20	Cook	Deal

Ten years later William and Emma are staying at the Norfolk Hotel, Kensington, with their 9 year old son John. Elder son Geoffrey is a pupil at Aysgarth School, Newton le Willows, Yorkshire. I am not sure where the girls were at this time. In the intervening years William had been promoted to Colonel.⁵⁸

William had reached the rank of Major General for the 1901 census. He and Emma, together with two of their three daughters, were boarding at 10 Wellington Terrace, Sandgate, Kent.

William Salmond	Boarder	M	60	Major General RE	York
Emma M H Salmond	Wife	M	51		Kimberworth, Yorks
Mary G Salmond	Dau		24		Northfleet, Kent
Gladys M Salmond	Dau		21		Dover

Son Geoffrey was with the 26th Battery, Royal Field Artillery, Aldershot and his brother John was an Officer

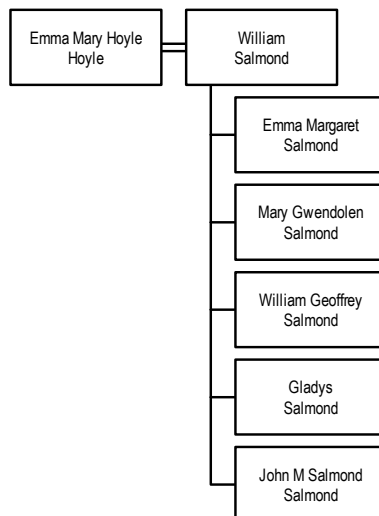
⁵⁵ FreeBMD Index Vol 9c, Pg 831.

⁵⁶ FreeBMD Marriage Index Oct-Dec 1914 Vol 9c, Pg 1399; RG13/4391/147/3.

⁵⁷ FreeBMD Marriage Index Jul-Sep Vol 1a, Pg882; Obituary, The Times 9 Nov 1832; RG11/46/97/44.

⁵⁸ RG12/32/29/3; RG12/4031/139/3.

Student at the School of Musketry, Hythe. I have not located the oldest daughter Emma.⁵⁹



According to the 9 Nov 1932 Times obituary for Maj-General Sir W. Salmond, his wife Emma died in 1923. The following is an extract from the obituary which recounts a distinguished army career and also lauds the achievements of his sons.

Maj.-General Sir W. Salmond – A Veteran Engineer

Major-General Sir William Salmond died yesterday at his home, Whaddon House, near Burton, Somerset, in his ninety-third year. He was a veteran officer of the Royal Engineers of notable personality. His career was remarkable for the many years of work spend in administrative appointments at the War Office in connexion with the technical and personnel branches of his Corps during times of great increases and changes in the R.E.

The son of Lieutenant-Colonel James Salmond, of Waterfoot, Cumberland, Sir William Salmond was born on August 25 1840, passed through the Royal Military Academy, and received his commission as lieutenant in October, 1857. He was .promoted captain in November, 1868, and major in October, 1877. From November, 1872, to April, 1878, he was Instructor of Musketry to the Royal Engineers,. In 1882, he went on active service to Egypt for Wolseley's campaign against Arabi Pasha, as Commanding Royal Engineers at the base; receiving a mention in dispatches and the brevet of lieutenant-colonel.

Appointed Assistant Director of Works (for Barracks), he went to the War Office in April, 1883, and her he was destined to remain, almost continuously, for 19 years.

He was appointed Assistant Adjutant-General for Royal Engineers, dealing with the personnel of the Corps, in October 1884, after attaining the substantive rank of lieutenant-colonel. Five years later, having been promoted colonel in April 1886, he was appointed Assistant Quarter-Master-General until February 1890. He went to the Home District as C.R.E. in July of the latter year, but in May 1891, he returned to the Headquarters of the Army as Deputy Inspector-General of Fortifications. In 1893 he was created C.B. and when he had completed five years in his appointment he became Deputy Adjutant-General for the Royal Engineers, in those days the head of the Crops, and was promoted major-general.

In May, 1899, he was granted a Distinguished Service pension, but continued as D.A.G. throughout the South African War period, being created K.C.B. for his services in 1902, when he retired from the Army. He was appointed Colonel Commandant Royal Engineers in September, 1915.

His two sons have both risen to high rank in the Royal Air Force – William Geoffrey Hanson, originally a Gunner, is now Air Marshal Sir W.G.H. Salmond, and John Maitland, who started his career in the King's Own (Royal Lancaster) Regiment, has become Air Chief Marshal Sir J.M. Salmond. His eldest daughter, Maizie, is married to Sri John Douglas Don-Wauchope, ninth baronet, the creation dating from 1667.

It is notable that Geoffrey Salmond and his younger brother John were destined to become the only two brothers to both hold the top post in the RAF. However, Geoffrey held this position for only a very short time, and in fact survived his father by less than six months. On 1 April 1933, Air Chief Marshal Salmond took over from his brother as Chief of the Air Staff. His time as the professional head of the RAF was cut short. William

⁵⁹ RG13/848/101/32; RG13/613/127/20; RG13/854/111/2.

Geoffrey Salmond died on 27 April 1933 and his brother was temporarily re-appointed as Chief of the Air Staff.⁶⁰

Charles Frederick Hoyle

We last saw Charles at home with his family for the 1871 census when he was a 19 year old young man training to be a brewer. By 1881 Charles was a married man, living at 5 Princess Street, Oulton-with Woodlesford.⁶¹

Charles F Hoyle	Head	M	29	Scientific Brewer	Masbrough
Florence E. J. Hoyles	Wife	M	28		Nailsea, Somerset
Florence B Hoyle	Dau		9m		Woodlesford
Annie S Jubb	Serv	U	21	Cook	Wakefield
Sarah A Shaw	Serv	U	17	Housemaid	Oulton, Rothwell
Phillipa J Maggs	Serv	U	15	Housemaid	Westerleigh, Gloucestershire

In the Jul-Sep quarter of 1897, Charles had married Florence Elizabeth White, the daughter of Isaac and Jane White. Florence hailed from Nailsea, Somerset, where she was found with her family for the 1861 census, for which Isaac was described as a Glass Manufacturer employing 300 men. Ten years later and Isaac is now a Colliery proprietor.⁶² Both of Isaac's career paths reflect the economy of Nailsea at the time. Originally a mainly agricultural district, the next big thing in Nailsea's history was the discovery of coal in the 18th Century. The accessibility of coal made glass blowing feasible as an industry and in 1788 a man called John Lucas set up a glass-making business. Typical Nailsea-style items were flasks, jugs, bottles, mugs, vases, bowls, rolling pins, pipes, hats, and jars. Some Nailsea-style glassware is plain clear glass with a slight green tint; these items were made from Crown (window) glass. Others were made from bottle glass, in varying shades of darker green. Both these were styles of glass were often decorated with white or colored splashes or white lines, sometimes pulled or combed to give a feathered effect. The glass industry proved a great success and lasted until 1874.⁶³

While the census records do not explicitly say so, there can be little doubt that Charles, through the family connections, and his own training, was employed by the Bentley brewing company. And by 1891 he had advanced from scientific brewer to general manager. Apart from having advanced his career, he and Florence had been busy on the home front, as testified by the census listing for the household at The Grove, Oulton with Woodlesford. Four daughters and one son had been born at roughly two year intervals between 1880 and 1888.⁶⁴

Charles F Hoyle	Head	M	39	General Manager Brewery	Kimberworth
Florence E. J. Hoyles	Wife	M	38		Nailsea, Somerset
Florence B Hoyle	Dau		10		Woodlesford
Edyth M Hoyle	Dau		9		Woodlesford
Susan G Hoyle	Dau		7		Woodlesford
Hilda J W Hoyle	Dau		5		Woodlesford
Charles F Hoyle	Son		2		Woodlesford
Maude Hedworth	Vis	S	20		Haydon, Lincolnshire
Louisa E Halestead	Gov	S	18	Governess to children	Huddersfield
Alice M Ivory	Serv	S	17	Housemaid	Frampton, Gloucestershire
Ada Clarkson	Serv	U	17	Cook	Wakefield
Annie Taylor	Serv	S	16	Nurse	Woodlesford

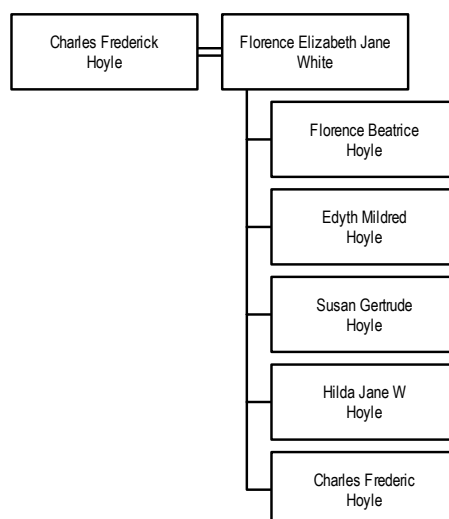
⁶⁰ www.rafweb.org/Biographies/SalmondW.htm.

⁶¹ RG11/44493/114/1.

⁶² RG9/1710/17/p4; RG10/2500/94/8.

⁶³ www.bbc.co.uk/dna/h2g2/A904295; www.glassencyclopedia.com/Nailseaglass.html.

⁶⁴ RG12/3667/68/18.



I have located all members of the family except daughter Florence for the 1901 census. Charles and Florence were at home at Oulton Green and the rest of the household comprised domestic help. Susan and Hilda were boarding at a school in Firbeck, Doncaster, and their brother was attending Aysgarth, at Newton le Willows, the same school that his cousin Geoffrey Salmond had been enrolled some ten years earlier. Charles, now aged 49, is described as Managing Director of a Brewery Co and also a Captain in the 2nd West York Royal Engineers (Volunteer).⁶⁵

Within five years of the 1901 census at least three of the daughters had married, all at St. John's Church, Oulton. First to walk up the aisle was Edyth, who married Philip Marsden in 1903. The next year the oldest, Florence married Robert Garrad. Susan was married to Max D Flemmick in 1906.⁶⁶

A FreeBMD Death Index for the Jan-Mar quarter of 1909, registered in Hunslet, records the death of Florence Elizabeth J. Hoyle, aged 55 at the time of her death. Not so definite, but likely, is a Leeds registration of the death Charles F Hoyle for the Oct-Dec quarter of 1913, the age at death being 62.

Ferham Arthur Hoyle

For the 1871 census Ferham an 18 year old law student sharing a house with his brother Frank. Ten years later he was lodging with the Landt family at 1a Victoria Road, Islington, earning his living as a Wine and Cigar Merchant.⁶⁷

When he married Mary Jane Jones, in the spring of 1889 at Rotherham, he would have been about 37 years old. Mary had been born in Gravesend, Kent. It is likely that they met sometime after 1881 at which stage Mary, a 31 year old unmarried woman, was employed as a governess by the Bolton family who were living at 11 Quadrant Road, Islington.⁶⁸ The couple seems to have remained in Rotherham after their marriage and were there at 22 Clifton Mount for the 1891 census. Ferham now has a new job.⁶⁹

Ferham A Hoyle	Head	M	38	Colliery Manager's Clerk	Masbrough
Mary J Hoyle	Wife	M	41		Gravesend, Kent
Alan Badger	Visitor	M	37	Estate Agent	Rotherham

It seems that Ferham and Mary had no children of their own, but they had a young girl staying with them for the 1901 census, by which time Ferham and Mary had moved to 64 Ordnance Villa.⁷⁰

⁶⁵ RG13/4198/111/34; RG13/3127/78/7; RG13/4604/101/3.

⁶⁶ Leeds marriage Certificates CE108/284; CE108/290; CE108/309.

⁶⁷ RG11/244/28/50.

⁶⁸ FreeBMD Marriage Index Apr-Jun 1889 Rotherham Vol 9c, Pg 894; RG11/263/11/15.

⁶⁹ RG12/3846/31/55.

⁷⁰ RG13/4397/35/11.

William Fretwell Hoyle – 1801-1886 – and Family

Ferham A Hoyle	Head	M	48	Clerk at Colliery	Masbrough
Mary J Hoyle	Wife	M	51		Gravesend, Kent
Eleanor Mary Monk	Relative	S	15	Pupil Teacher	Holloway London

I am not sure where Eleanor fits in the scheme of things. I have found an Islington birth registration for the Jul-Sep quarter of 1885 for Eleanor Mary Monk, but no sign of her for the 1891 census.⁷¹

Ferham died at Rotherham at the age of 59 in 1912.. Whether Mary predeceased or outlived him is not yet established as I have not found a definitive registration to clarify this.⁷²

William Dickon Hoyle

I have included a brief account of William Dickon Hoyle, who was a nephew of William Fretwell Hoyle, and who was the person who, in February 1889, communicated the

Historical Memorials of the Family of Fretwell, of Hooton Levett, from 1536 to 1750 descended [sic] from the Barons Frescheville of Staveley near Chesterfield

which have been transcribed and are available separately on the Fretwelliana website.

The marriage between Robert Calforthay Hoyle, William Fretwell Hoyle's younger brother, and Ann Dickon was registered at Pontefract in 1838. William Dickon Hoyle was their first born child and for the 1841 census he and his family are with the Dickon farming property at Kellington. Ten years later the family has moved to Aughton Hall, which Robert inherited after the death of his father. The 1851 census describes him as a Land Proprietor and his wife Ann as a Lady. Young William is at boarding school at Worksop, Nottinghamshire.⁷³

William D Hoyle next appears in the 1861 census, now a young man of 21, lodging with the Whittell family at 16 Trinity Square, Newington, Lambeth. Whether or not William pursued a profession is not stated, as his description in the census is Landed Proprietor.

This is the last of the census returns that I have found for William Dickon Hoyle. He may have married in the first quarter of 1866 at the age of about 26 to Ann Lawrence, at the Strand – but I have not checked this out. We do know when he died – the even being registered in the Apr-Jun quarter of 1898 at Reading, Berkshire. He was just short of his 60th birthday.⁷⁴

⁷¹ FreeBMD Birth Index Vol 1b, Pg 407.

⁷² FreeBMD Death Index 1912 Apr-Jun Rotherham Vol 9c, Pf 767.

⁷³ FreeBMD Marriage Index Apr-Jun 1838; HO107/1307;4/17/14/20; HO107/2343/57/1; HO107/2122/45/5.

⁷⁴ Free Marriage Index, 1866, Jan-Mar, Strand, London Middlesex; FreeBMD Death Index, Vol 2c, Pg 219.